

Paleontological & Cultural Resources



Fossil bones of an extinct Columbian mammoth, *Mammuthus columbi*, exposed and weathering at the surface inside the Upper Las Vegas Wash. More than 400 localities such as this remain exposed to the elements throughout the Wash.



Fossil tusk of Mammoth eroding out of hillside within the ULVW - CTA. Remains such as these under continued exposure to the elements will continue to deteriorate unless they can be recovered and preserved.



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Fossil bones of an extinct giant llama-like camel, *Camelops hesternus*, eroding out of a low arroyo inside the ULVW - CTA. Broken fossils like these will continue to deteriorate in the harsh desert conditions of the Las Vegas Valley, unless they can be recovered and preserved.



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Fossil jaw of small mammal eroding out of hillside in the ULVW - CTA.



Fossil jaws of an extinct horse, *Equus*, eroding out of a hillside within the ULVW - CTA. These delicate fossils could easily be scattered and destroyed by off-road activity or by a strong rainstorm unless they can be recovered and preserved.